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Charlie Chaplin Was Once a Member of the Frohman Forces

During the visit of William Gillette to this city recently with "Diplomacy" at the National Theater, it became known that Charlie Chaplin, whose personality is 75 per cent of the real motion picture comedy, no matter how we might quarrel with his methods, first made his appearance in a grown-up Part with Mr. Gillette in "Sherlock

It is rather difficult to imagine Chaplin in the character of the bright office boy Billy, in Gillette's great drama, but it is a fact nevertheless. Chaplin was living in London, then, his native city. He was practically born on the stage, both his father and mother having been in the profession. As a child he was apprenticed to a company of acro-bats and tumblers, and learned all there is to know of acrobatics.

He was placed in school when he was twelve years old, and after leaving school as a youth he became connected with one of the late Charles nected with one of the late Charles Frohman's companies in London. It was while in Mr. Frohman's employ that Chaplin was drafted to play the part of Billy in the London produc-tion of "Sherlock Holmes" with Gli-lette, He played the part through-out the English run of the piece. Before that—as a boy—he appeared to the leading part in a melodrama

Before that—as a boy—he appeared in the leading part in a melodrama called "From Rags to Riches," which was written in this country to suit the peculiar personality of Joseph Santley as a boy and was Anglicised to fit the abilities of Chaplin

After these engagements Chaplin After these engagements Chaplin and his brother Sidney, became members of Fred Karno's Company playing a sketch called "A Night In an English Music Hall," in which company Billy Reeves and Billie Ritchie, both now motion picture actors, were also members. It was in this sketch that the curious character Chaplin has made known to the motion picture audiences was the motion picture audiences, was

originated.
Charite Chaplin is twenty-five years old. He has very dark hair that is extremely curly and "bushy." as is shown in the pictures, and

very dark eyes. He plans his plays as he makes them and no one in his company can ever tell what he will do next—either ever tell what he will do next—either before the camera or when the camera is not working. He is a practical loker, it is stated, and no person with whom he is thrown in contact—no matter how exalted his position—can feel safe while Chaplin is in his vicinity.

At the same time there is no person more surprised at the success of his own comedy than Chaplin was when he first appeared on the

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of his own comedy than Chaplin was when he first appeared on the screen.

"The first time I looked at myself on the screen, however, I was ready to resign," the Motion Picture Magazine quotes him as saying. "That can't be I. I thought. Then when I realized it was, I said 'Good-night.' Strange enough, I was told that the picture was a scream. I had always been ambitious to work in drama, and it certainly was the surprise of my life when I got away with the comedy stuff.

"Comedy really is a serious study," he said, "although it must not be taken seriously. That sounds like a paradox, but it is not. It is a serious study to learn characters, it is a hard study. But to make comedy a success there must be an ease, a spontainety in the acting that cannot be associated with scriousness.
"I lay out my plot and study my character thoroughly. I even follow the character I am to represent for miles or sit and watch him at his work before I attempt to portray him.

"With the plot in my mind, I go before the camera without the slightest notion of what I am going to do. I try to lose myself. I am the character I am representing, and I try to act just as I have previously thought the character would set under the same circumstances."

TODAY'S BEST FILMS

By GARDNER MACK.

Edmund Breese in "The Shooting of Dan McGrew," from the poem by Robert W. Service (Metro Films), Craudall's, Ninth find Edwards

Thomas Jefferson in "Rip Van Winkle" (B. A. Roife), the La-fayette, E between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets.

Anita Stewart and Earle Wil-liams in "The Sort of Girl Who Came From Henven" (Vitagraph), the Olympic, 1431 You street. King Baggot in "The Corsican Brothers," from the story by Alexander Dumas (Imp), the Ma-sonic Auditorium, Thirteenth street and New York avenue.

Dan Moyles in "Who's Who in Society" (Kleine), the Strand, Ninth and D streets, "As a Man Sovys," the Garden, 423 Ninth street,

Leona Hutton and Jack Nelson in "The Riddle of the Wooden Leg" (Kny-Bee), the American, First street and Rhode Island

Richard Stauton and Margaret Thompson in "The Sons of Toll" (Domino), the Staunton, Sixth street and Massachusetts avenue

northeast. Charles Ray, Herschal Mayall and Louise Glaum in "The Rene-gade" (Broncho), the Empire, 915 H street northeast.

Sidney Ayres and Doris Pawn in "Tiny Hands" (Powers), the Al-hambra, 519 Seventh street.

Dolly Larkin in "Beginning at the End" (United Program), Aragon Park, Eighth street and Maryland avenue northeast.

Robert Parnell in "The Convict's Conspiracy" (United Program), the Pastime, 477 Pennsylvania avenue.

Note-These selections are made from programs prepared by the managers of the theaters concerned and no responsibility is assumed for arbitrary changes without notice to The Times. They are based on the personality of the players and the producing company and not personal inspection, except in special

PHOTOPLAYS AND PHOTOPLA YERS



RUTH BLAIR, One of the stars of the United Program to be seen at the Pastime Thea-

ter and Aragon Park.

CITIZENS ASK MORE TENLEYTOWN POLICE

Acting on a report of its committee on fire and police protection, the Connecticut Avenue Citizens' Association mean that more policemen would be distributed through the twelve square

distributed through the twelve square miles of territory involved.

Copies of resolutions adopted by the association following the submission of the committee's report at last night's meeting were forwarded to the Commissioners and Major Puilman today.

As explained in the report, the Tenleytown subprecinct has a staff of twenty-seven men, including a lieutentwenty-seven men, including a lieutenant, sergeants, and patrolmen. Patroling the tweive square miles em braced in the subprecinct's territory at any time during either the day or

night, there is never any more than duty is six, the report declared.

The association passed resolutions urging an addition of eight rooms and an assembly hall for "social center" meetings to the Chevy Chase School. Superintendent of Schools Thurston, who addressed the association on what is being done in the public schools, indered the assembly hall proposition.

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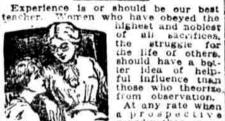
dorsed the assembly hall proposition. Superintendent Thurston outlined to the members of the association the vocational training and pre-vocational training which the public school authorities are undertaking. He dwelt particularly on the "salesmanship" course which has been instituted in the school system and explained how the course taught the students how to approach people in both rusiness and social worlds. He explained how the school authorities were trying to ascertain the particular vacations to which students in the District could adapt themselves after they finish school and declared that public | they finish school and declared that with this object in view the vocational training would be directed.

A resolution to request the Commissioners to place speed warning signals on both sides of the road near the Chevy Chase School was adopted. The association adjourned to meet June 9, on which occasion the wives, daughters, and other feminine relatives of the members will be entertained.

West Virginia Solons In Special Session

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., May 12,-Governor Hatfield has called the West Virginia legislature to meet in special session May 18, primarily for enactment of laws to increase revenues of the State. Consideration of appropriation bills, stream pollution measures and rectifi-cation of defects in existing laws also are included.

Mothers Tell of



of all sacrifices, the struggle for the life of others, should have a better idea of helpful influence than those who theorize, from observation.

At any rate when a prospective

a prospective grandmother uses her caughter to do as she did-to use "Mother's Friend," there is ample reason to believe it the right kind ox ad-

vice.

Its purpose is to furnish pliancy to the muscles, to take away the strain on the cords and ligaments, to relieve the tendion of nerves and tendions so apt to provoke or aggravate nauses, morning sickness, twitchings of the limbs and so on. It is applied ex-

Connecticut House "Wet."

HARTFORD, May 13.—The house of representatives, by a vote of 82 to 65, voted indefinitely to postpone a resolution which would have passed on to the next assembly for ratification a constitutional amendment prohibiting the making and selling of intoxicating the making and selling of intoxicating the connecticut.

Himbs and so on. It is applied externally.

Although, in the nature of things, a worman would use "Mother's Friend" but rarely, yet so effective has it been prepared by Bradfield Regulator Co., 308 Lamar Bidg. Atlanta, Ga. and advertised by us for over twenty years. Ask at the drug store for a bottle of "Mother's Friend." It is worth while advertised.

HEAVY RAIN BREAKS **BIG SPRING DROUGHT**

The rainfall of yesterday, which reached .74 in the deluge that came just before noon, broke the greatest spring today is putting forth endeavors to Cought ever recorded in Washington. have the Tenleytown subprecinct of /nd. according to agricultural experts, the Police Department raised to the was a savior for the spring wheat crop status of a precinct, which would of Maryland and Virginia, which was

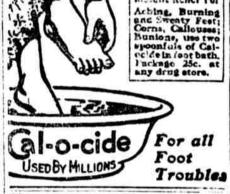
way under normal condition.
This rain was the first of importance

Sues on Canfield Policy.

NEW YORK, May 13.-Luke Vincent Lockwood, executor of the estate of nine men. The average number on Richard A. Canfield, began suit in the duty is six, the report declared.

The association passed resolutions Life Insurance Company for \$23,216.90

Instant Rellef For



The Women with the Thickest and Finest Hair in the World Use This Hair Tonic.

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MANY RED CROSS HOSPITALS

In the war zone have ordered Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder, for use among the convalescent troops. Shaken into the shoes or dissolved in the foot bath, it gives refreshing rest and prevents the feet getting tired or foot-sare. Days and department stores foot-sore. Drug and department stores everywhere sell it. Don't accept any substitute.-Advt.

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Boy Baby Found In Front of House

Police Seek Mother of Infant Picked Up On Bench At Washington Circle.

Warmly dressed in underwear, cap. and coat of the best quality, a boy baby five weeks old, was found on an iron bench in front of 2213 Washington circle bench in front of 2213 Washington circle early today and is being cared for at St. Ann's Infant Asylum, while the police are making an effort to find the mother. The little fellow was discovered on the bench by Miss Mamie Clark, of 2215 Washington circle, when she alighted from a Pennsylvania avenue car and staked to her home. Policeman E. L. Blake took the baby to St. Ann's, on the opposite side of the circle.

Date With "Personal Friend" Wins Acquittal

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 13:-When Walter Allen was arraigned in the magistrates' court today charged with being full of anti-prohibition propaganda to such an extent as to be unseaworthy, he entered an excuse which fairly swept him out of court by merit of its novelty. "You are charged," said the court, "with having overestimated your liquid capacity. What have you to hiccough?" Walter, who has been giving excuses for so long a time that he is fairly good at it, turned away.

When he had regained his composure and balance tears started to his pretty blue eyes. Walter Allen was arraigned in the mag-

blue eyes.

"Judge," he said, "I have an engagement with a personal friend I must go
away from here."

"Away?" asked the court.

"yes," answered Walter, "away. I
have an engagement with a personal

"yes," answered Walter, "away. I have an engagement with a personal friend, and so, this time, I must go away from here."
"Who's your friend" asked the court. "My wife."
"Go," said the court, visibly touched,
"away."

Niece of Edwin Booth Asks Husband's Arrest

NEW YORK, May 13.—Mrc. Marle Booth Douglas, a niece of Edwin Booth, and at one time widel; known Booth, and at one time widel; known as an actress, applied to Supreme Court Justics Weeks yesterday for an order of arrest against her husband, Byron Douglas, an actor, from whom she has been separated for several years. Mrs. Douglas' attorney, S. F. Peavey, jr., said that Douglas had defaulted in payments of alimony.

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The Douglases were married in Jer-sey City in 1882, and their marimoniat difficulties began almost immediately, Several years ago Mrs. Douglas sued Richard Mansfield for \$3,000, which, she alleged, was due her for her interest in a play called "The Master of Cere-monies."

Food Query Department Conducted by Prof. Lewis B. Allyn

Address your questions to Food Editor and you will receive a reply by mail or through this column. Queries unless signed by the full name and address of the writer will not be given answer in this column. In giving reply your initals only will be given.

GLUTEN VS. GRAHAM.

Q. Will you please tell me in your pure food column if Graham Flour is of as much benefit as Gluten Flour for diabetest If not, please give directions for making bread of Gluten Flour. A CONSTANT READER.

A. It is generally regarded that gluten flour, which is lower in carbo-hydrates than is graham flour, is of more advantage in the treatment of certain forms of diabetes. The advice of a competent physician should be followed in this connection.

ALCOHOL IN EXTRACTS. 1. Does alcohol that is in some antila make the food, such as cake, ice cream or candy, alcoholicf

2. Must anything containing alcohol be marked alsohol or "containing a certain amount of alcoholf" MRS. G. C.

A. 1. The alcohol present in vanilla extract is practically all evaporated in cooked food. The amount contained in cooked food. The amount contained in ice cream is so small as to be negligible. As a matter of fact, it is very difficult indeed to find any food product which is absolutely free from alcohol. Rain water and river water even contain minute traces of it. You will note that the alcohol used in flavoring extracts could alcohol used in flavoring extracts could not possibly make food products pre-pared with such extracts intoxicating. 2. It is not necessary, under the pro-visions of the food and drugs act, to place on the labels of flavoring extracts a statement of the alcohol content. The amount of alcohol must however appear

BORAX PRESENT. Q. I am sending you sample of can-ning compound. Please tell me if it contains anything harmful.

MRS. W. E. B.

on labels of medicinal preparations, etc.

A. Sample you submit consists essentially of salt and boracle acid. It does contain an injurious and harmful ingredient, to wit, boric or boracle acid. However beneficial this drug may be in the treatment of inflamed and sore eyes and as a subsidiary remedy in skin disease. It has no proper place in a food product.

POTATOES CONTAIN STARCH. Q. Do you think that one scho is inclined to embonpoint should continue eating potatoes to any extent?

MRS. M. M. A. Potatoes are rich in starch. Their

"The Pure Food Town"

Author McCutcheon Is

Barred From Jury Box

NEW YORK, May 13.-Because he

declared his prejudice against any man

who carries a revolver, George Barr

McCutcheon, the author, was chal-

lenged peremptorily in general sessions, where he had been summoned as a talesman in the trial of Frank Madelina, who is accused of murdering Joseph Pappa. The jury box was filled yesterday.

The prosecution had accepted Mc-

The prosecution had accepted Mc-Cutcheon, and the author was about to take his seat as a juror when a question by Madelina's attorney led McCutcheon to assert his feeling against revolver carrying. Judge Nott

asserted it was a good prejudice and ought not to incapacitate McCutcheon as a juror. Madelina's attorney thought otherwise, however, and refused to ac-

cept the author

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On Hands, Arms, Feet and Legs.

Also Head. Child Could Not Rest

Day or Night. Hair Fell Out Badly.

blisters caused much burning and itching and he would often have to leave the affected parts exposed, with no clothing coming in contact. The places looked red and were very hot and feverish. He would scratch them till they would bleed. His

hair fell out badly. "He had been troubled for several months before I began using Cuticura Soap and Ointment. It was only a matter of two or three weeks before the trouble was gone. "I had the eczema for three years and was healed in four weeks by Cuticura Scap and Ointment." (Signed) Mrs. Myrtle Powell, Sept. 16, 1914.

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As a writer of serials he has been most successful-"The Seven Darlings" and "When My Ship Comes In' being freshest in the public mind. From one of his short stories Otis Skinner's play, "The Silent Voice," was dramatized.

Morrisknows the great outdoors in proof of which he was retained by the U. S. Government to make studies in forestry. He loves nature and has a mind taught to respect the virtues. Descended from that Revolutionary patriot, of his own name, the historical member of the Continental Congress, Gouverneur Morris is spirited in the Soul of America and is her spokesman through fiction literature.

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CONCERCENARIOS are peculiar. A fine story, translated into a weak scenario is ruinous to a picture. A scenario is a picture's backbone! And the fact that Charles W. Goddard is the scenario author of "The Goddess" is all that need be said on that score. He wrote, you know, "The Misleading Lady," "The Ghost Breaker," "The Perils of Pauline" and the far-famed "Exploits of Elaine." All that has been put into exquisite form by the Vitagraph Organization, directed by Ralph Ince.



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